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Re: Floyd v. Random House, et al.

Dear Mark:

To date you have not responded in writing, to the settlement proposal sent to you on February 10, 2006. Although we had a few brief telephone conversations regarding same, I would appreciate a more detailed response.

Furthermore, I spoke with Michael Andolina who was kind enough to inform me of the May 25, 2006 date in Kansas City as well as e-mailing me your papers.

As stated early on we are interested in an amicable resolution and would like to be involved in any settlement negotiations you may have.

Very truly yours,

Alan S. Ripka, Esq.

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